

MINUTES

**OF THE
ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-THIRD
ANNUAL SESSION**

**OF THE
ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**

HELD WITH

UNION GROVE CHURCH

Monroe, North Carolina

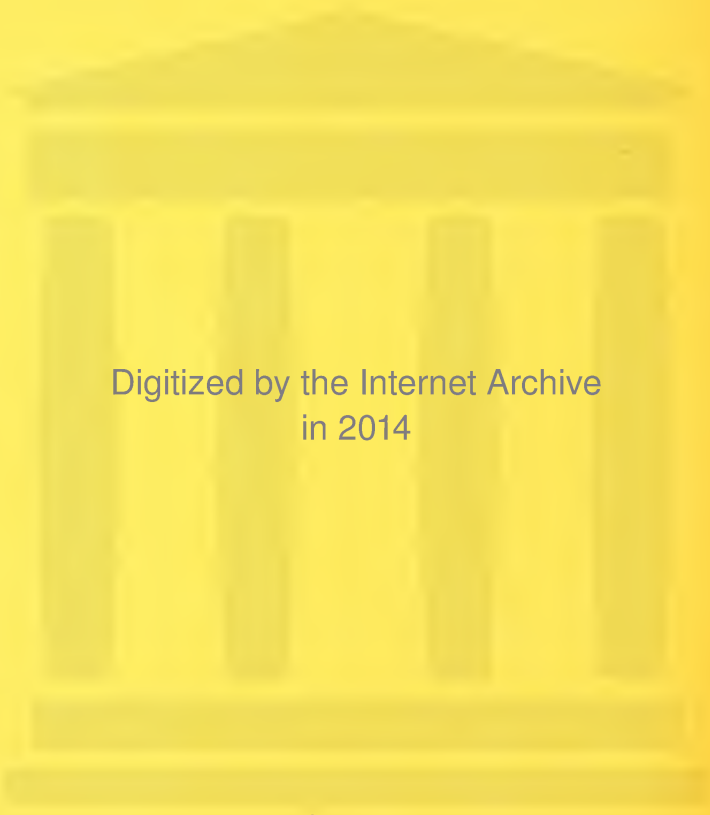
September 13, 14, 15

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**Next session convenes with
Mountain Creek Church
near Albemarle, North Carolina**

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**Of The 153rd Annual Session Of The Original Bear Creek
Primitive Baptist Association**

Friday, September 13, 1985

The association met with Union Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Monroe, North Carolina at 10:30 a.m. and joined in songs of praise after which Elder Guy Parks led in prayer and Elder Newell Helms, pastor of Union Grove Church delivered the introductory sermon using Psalms 26:8 as a text.

After a time for refreshments and fellowship, the association opened with prayer by Elder Worth Stephenson and convened for business. Elder Newell Helms served as moderator, Brother Ken Austin served as clerk and Brother Gene Little served as assistant clerk.

1. Extended invitation to all orderly Primitive Baptists who are in good standing with their home churches to seats with us.

2. Called for letters of representation from sister churches of the association which were read by Brother Edward Pressley and Elder Larry Austin and their status noted.

UNION GROVE: Represented by entire membership.

MOUNTAIN CREEK: Elder Guy Parks, Brethren Charlie McSwain, Lonnie Eury, and Leroy Plowman.

LAWYER'S SPRING: Brethren Ronnie Edwards, Lanny Stack, Tommy Horne and Truby High.

CROOKED CREEK: Brethren Jerry Honeycutt, Dewell Simpson, Buford Hinson and Maurice Broadway.

HIGH POINT: Brethren David Dix, Raymond Clark, Don Bowman and Raymond Hicks.

MEADOW CREEK: Brethren Gene Herrin, Joe Robinson, Howard Collins and Ray Eudy.

WATSON: Brethren Nolan Walden, Bobby Helms, Wilburn Mullis and T. L. Simpson.

PLEASANT HILL: Brethren Elzie Auman, Barry Cole, Robert Copple and Allen Copple.

HIGH HILL: Brethren Johnny Edwards, Bill Benton, Dennis Pressley and Randall Helms.

PARK VIEW: Brethren John Joyce, Pete Smith, Frankie Beason and Richard McGee.

LIBERTY HILL: Brethren Craven Furr, Hobart Medlin, Charlie Hatley and Reece Eury.

PLEASANT GROVE: Brethren James Little, Harold Williams, Max Mills and Claud Griffin.

BETHEL: Brethren T. H. Mintz, Charles Gore, Elder W. C. Mintz and Brother Mason Anderson.

CORINTH: Elder Richard Styers, Brethren Dick Styers, Phillip Brafford and David Oliver.

HERRIN'S GROVE: Brethren Joe Allman, Joe Williams, Kim Honeycutt and Claud Herrin.

JERUSALEM: Brother Kermit Thomas, Elder A. E. Broadway, Brethren Benton Edwards and Floyd Thomas.

MILLS CHAPEL: Brethren Luke McCurdy, Reed Shue, Randy Williams and Howard Little.

NEW HOPE: Brethren Sam Campbell, C. R. Smith, Edsel Thomas and Sister Eugenia Campbell.

OAK GROVE: Not currently meeting.

UNION: There was a motion and a second that the letter from Union Church be tabled and their messengers not be seated, also that their funds not be received. This motion is made due to the unrest that has prevailed at Union Church for some time and the unrest it has caused the sister churches. The motion carried by majority vote.

3. Called for petitionary letters: None were presented.

4. The moderator was authorized to appoint committees on preaching and finance and appointed the following:

Preaching committee: Elders E. W. Hooven, Roy Speir, Joe Helms and W. C. Mintz, Brethren Reece Eury, Barry Helms, Buford Hinson, and Howard Collins.

Finance committee: Elders Rom Kerley and Rommie Williams, Brethren Dennis Pressley, David Helms, Leroy Plowman, Carl Haigler, Gradon Helms and Kermit Thomas.

5. Called for presbytery reports:

On Friday, November 4, 1984 the following elders and deacons formed a presbytery at High Hill Primitive Baptist Church and ordained Brother Dennis Pressley to the office of deacon: Elders Newell Helms, James McLamb, Larry Austin, Roy Speir, Joe C. Helms, Rom Kerley, Guy Parks, E. W. Hooven, Rommie Williams, Richard Styers and F. W. Stack. Deacons Howard Edwards, Earl Pressley, Johnny Edwards, Edward Pressley, Mason H. Anderson, Buford Hinson, Bernard Simpson, W. T. Broadway, Jerry Honeycutt, Floyd Thomas, Kermit Thomas, Gradon Helms, Orlin Stewart, Truby High, Hobart Medlin, Reece Eury, Vernon Medlin, Howard Little, Jay Hurley, Randy Williams, Lane Vanhoy, Pete Smith, Melvin Mills, T. B. Curlee, Clayton Griffin, Barry Cole, Carl Haigler, Barry Helms and Ken Austin.

In compliance with a request from Mountain Creek Primitive Baptist Church the following elders and deacons formed a presbytery on Friday, May 24, 1985 and ordained Brethren Tommy Vanhoy, Leroy Plowman and Lynn Honeycutt to the office of deacon. Elders Joe C. Helms, Guy Parks, Richard Styers, Roy Speir, Paul Stroupe, Rom Kerley, E. W. Hooven, Rommie Williams, Newell Helms, Wayne Gibbons and Bob Dickerson. Deacons Charlie Vanhoy, Lane Vanhoy, Lonnie Eury, Thurston Mintz, Buford Hinson, W. T. Broadway, Jerry Honeycutt, Howard

Edwards, Earl Pressley, Johnny Edwards, Edward Pressley, Dennis Pressley, D. G. Dix, Clyde Payne, Ted Myers, Edward Willard, Hal Boldin, Floyd Thomas, Graddon Helms, Orlin Stewart, Truby High, Wilson Greene, C. C. Furr, Hobart Medlin, Charlie Hatley, Vernon Medlin, Howard Collins, Joe Robinson, Howard Little, Randy Williams, Richard McGee, Pete Smith, Melvin Mills, T. B. Curlee, Parks Mullis, Clayton Griffin, Garry Robinson, Carl Haigler, Barry Helms, Ken Austin, Bill Williams, Grover Roark, J. F. Williams and J. A. Williams.

6. Called for visitors from corresponding associations to seats with us and welcomed the following:

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA: Elder Worth Stephenson, Elder Derle McGee, Elder Raymond Wyatt, Brother and Sister Coleman Strickland.

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA: Minutes.

LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA: Elder James Heard.

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA: Minutes.

TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY: Minutes.

POWELL'S VALLEY: Brother and Sister Ray Wells.

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA: Elder and Sister H.L. Thompson, Elder and Sister Hubert Thompson.

SOUTH ARKANSAS: No Correspondence.

7. Invited visitors from associations and churches with whom we do not carry formal correspondence to seats with us and received the following:

WETUMPKA ASSOCIATION: Elder and Sister Armond Ritch.

CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION: Elder Milton Lillard.

SECOND CREEK ASSOCIATION: Elder Morris Williams, Licentiate Paul Garland.

ECHECONNEE ASSOCIATION: Elder C. E. Darity.

KETOCTON ASSOCIATION: Elder and Sister Raymond Pressley.

MT. ZION ASSOCIATION OF WEST VIRGINIA: Elder and Sister William Foster, Elder and Sister Franklin Oresta.

LOWER WETUMPKA ASSOCIATION: Elder and Sister Frank Wood.

EBENEZER ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA: Elder and Sister Raybon Lord.

FLINT RIVER ASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA: Licentiate and Sister Glenn Hollingsworth.

MOUNTAIN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION: Sister Rose Osborne, Sister Elsie Collins.

MT. SALEM ASSOCIATION (IN): Brother Bruce Sarber.

ORIGINAL MT. MORIAH CHURCH (KY): Elder and Sister Arlie Larimer.

PLEASANT HILL CHURCH (NC): Elder Harvey Carpenter.

NEW HOPE CHURCH (FL): Elder Roy Bowles.

AUGUSTA CHURCH: (GA): Elder Marty Allen.

SMOKY MOUNTAIN CHURCH (TN): Elder and Sister Roy Barker.

TIDEWATER CHURCH (VA): Elder and Sister Frank McCarty, Sister Dorothy Barnard, Sister Polly Johnson.

OLD MILL CHURCH (VA): Elder Lonnie Mozingo, Jr.

PINE CHURCH: Brother and Sister J. W. Williams, Brother and Sister J. Ashburn Williams, Brother and Sister Frank Jones, Brother and Sister Clarence Brown.

COMMUNITY CHURCH (VA): Sister Virginia Hylton.

OZIAS CHURCH (GA): Brother Glenn Latimer, Brother Jim Latimer.

NORTHVIEW CHURCH: Brother and Sister J. H. Dillon, Brother Rufus Bullins, Elder Milton Gunter.

LOVES GROVE CHURCH: Elder John D. Belton.

GOOD HOME CHURCH: Licentiate Kenneth Bowles.

AFTON ROAD CHURCH (VA): Brother and Sister Thurman Jones, Sister Jereline Jones, Sister Bernice Handy, Sister Ella Jenkins.

SPOON CREEK CHURCH (VA): Sister Elaine Goard, Sister Madeline Shively.

8. Appointed messengers to visit corresponding associations as follows: (It is understood that any member of our association who is in good standing can represent our people when visiting another association).

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA, (4th week-end, Sept.): Elder Guy Parks, Elder Roy Speir, Brethren Ed Pressley, Earl Pressley, Truby High and Leroy Plowman.

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA, (1st week-end, Sept.): Elder Roy Speir, Elder Joe Helms.

LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA, (3rd week-end, Aug.): Elder Newell Helms, Brethren Ed Pressley and Carl Haigler.

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA, (2nd week-end, Sept.): Elder E. W. Hooven, Elder Larry Austin.

TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY, (2nd week-end, Sept.): Elder Roy Speir, Elder W. C. Mintz.

POWELL'S VALLEY, (3rd week-end, Aug.): Elder Roy Speir, Elder W. C. Mintz, Elder Guy Parks and Brother Barry Cole.

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA, (2nd week-end, Sept.): Elder Guy Parks and Brother Leroy Plowman.

SOUTH ARKANSAS, (3rd week-end, Sept.): Minutes.

9. Unanimously agreed to continue correspondence with all associations with whom we now correspond.

10. Elder Larry Austin was unanimously appointed to write the corresponding letter to be approved Saturday morning.

11. Upon request the rules governing the association were read by the moderator.

12. Unanimously agreed to adjourn until Saturday morning at 9:30, the meeting to continue at Forest Hills High School.

Benediction by Elder F. W. Stack.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1985

The association met according to adjournment at 9:30 a.m. at Forest Hills High School. After prayer by Elder James McLamb the association continued with business as follows:

13. Acknowledged visitors who had arrived since the Friday session and listed their names under items 6 and 7.

14. Called for the report of the finance committee:

Received from the churches	\$3,358.
Received from friends	\$ 497.
Total	\$3,855.

15. Unanimously agreed to distribute minutes from other associations as usual.

16. Called for the corresponding letter which was read and approved and ordered to be embodied in the minutes.

17. Extended invitation for the churches of the association to request fifth Sunday meetings and granted the following:

September 1985	High Hill
December 1985	High Point
March 1986	Park View
June 1986	Bethel
August 1986	Pleasant Hill

18. Unanimously agreed to hold the next session of the association with Mountain Creek church beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September 1986, and that the pastor of that church preach the introductory sermon, by move, second and vote.

19. Unanimously agreed to have 1600 copies of the minutes printed and distributed to the churches and associations as usual and that the clerk superintend same.

20. Unanimously agreed to distribute all funds above that required in item 19 to the ministers present and any other associational expenses the finance committee may consider expedient.

21. Unanimously agreed by standing vote that we give thanks to God for His tender mercy and loving kindness and to the members and friends of Union Grove Church for their assistance during this meeting. We would also express our thanks to Mr. Charles R. Williams, Principal of Forest Hills High School for the use of the school facilities on Saturday and Sunday. We, likewise, extend our appreciation to Mr. Randy Cook and The Forest Hills Volunteers for their assistance in parking.

22. Unanimously agreed to adjourn to the time and place designated in item 18 after reading and approving the minutes.

Benediction by Elder Franklin Oresta.

Elder Newell Helms, moderator
Ken Austin, clerk
Gene Little, assistant clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts:

Received from the churches	\$3,358.
Received from friends	\$ 497.
Total receipts	\$3,855.

Disbursements:

Printing, mailing and distribution of minutes and all other clerk's expenses	\$ 550.
Ministers and miscellaneous expense	\$3,305.
Total disbursements	\$3,855.

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CLERK'S NOTE

What great blessings we have received from our Heavenly Father. Let us thank Him for His grace. May we all pray for peace and prosperity among our churches.

I would like to express my appreciation to all who assisted in compiling the minutes. Please accept my apology for the errors that will, no doubt, appear.

Ken Austin, *Clerk*

CORRESPONDING LETTER

The Original Bear Creek Association to our corresponding and visiting associations and all of like precious faith:

We have met again, trusting in God of all grace, for His presence, for His love and His leadership. We are satisfied with the same principles that this association was established upon one hundred and fifty-three years ago.

We believe in one living and true God. A God of all power, a God of wisdom and one that will never change. We also believe that God has an elect family whom He predestinated from all eternity to save with an eternal salvation. We believe that those objects of love, when given grace and faith, are enabled to walk worthy of the vocation wherein they are called. The good news of salvation by grace will continue to feed and nourish the little child of God that walks in obedience to His commandments, until Christ returns.

The sweet fellowship that we have enjoyed with you in the years past will long be remembered. Words do not adequately express our love for you, but we trust that during your visit among us, that our actions have spoken more clearly than words ever could.

I often think of the writing of the Psalmist David when he was inspired to pen down these words, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity". Our prayer is that this unity will continue.

May God bless each of you.

Your little brother,
Larry Austin

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday Morning

Elder Newell Helms - Ps. 26:8

Friday Afternoon

Elder Cecil Darity - Rev. 4

Friday Night (Union Grove Church)

Elder Milton Lillard - I Cor. 3:9

Elder Marty Allen - John 5:39 - 47

Friday Night (Lawyer's Spring Church)

Elder Roy Barker - John 15:25

Elder Raybon Lord - John 17:1 - 5

Saturday Morning

Elder Frank McCarty - Rom. 5:17

Elder Raybon Lord - "Faith"

Elder Worth Stephenson - Matt. 22:42

Saturday Afternoon

Elder J. D. Belton

Elder Frank Wood - Acts 7:54

Elder Milton Gunter - Eph. 4:20

Saturday Night (Union Grove Church)

Elder Raymond Pressley - Matt. 10:1

Elder Lonnie Mozingo, Jr. - Phil. 3:4 - 10

Saturday Night (Liberty Hill Church)

Elder Arlie Larimer - Isa. 42:4

Elder Armond Ritch - Luke 1:4

Saturday Night (Pleasant Grove Church)

Elder James Heard - Phil. 1:1

Elder Franklin Oresta - Eph. 5:14

Sunday Morning

Elder H. L. Thompson - Ruth 1:16 - 18

Elder Roy Bowles - Phil. 2:5

Elder Armond Ritch - John 5:28

VISITING MINISTERS

Elders:

Marty A. Allen, 264 Sioux Drive, Martinez, GA 30907.
Roy Barker, 710 Hitching Post Lane, Pigeon Forge, TN 37863.
John D. Belton, 123 Bank Street, Mt. Airy, NC. 27030.
Roy W. Bowles, 285 Virginia Drive, Winter Garden, FL 32787.
Harvey G. Carpenter, Route 6, Box 240, Mooresville, NC 28115.
Cecil E. Darity, 1551 Greenwich Place, Macon, GA 31206.
William D. Foster, Route 1, 1, Box A 1, Greenville, WV 24945.
Milton Gunter, Route 2, Box 193 AA, Stoneville, NC 27048.
James C. Heard, 4660 Webb Bridge Road, Alpharetta, GA 30201.
Arlie Larimer, Route 6, Benton, KY 42025.
Milton Lillard, 218 Nashville Highway, Franklin, TN 37064.
Raybon B. Lord, Route 1, Box 72, Sycamore, GA 31790.
Frank E. McCarty, 4914 Atterbury Street, Norfolk, VA 23513.
Derle McGee, Route 1, Box 187, Angier, NC 27501.
Lonnie R. Mozingo, Jr., Route 3, Box 510-11, Danville, VA 24540.
Franklin Oresta, Route 1, Box 14, Bluefield, WV 24701.
Raymond Pressley, P.O. Box 54, Brightwood, VA 22715.
Armond Ritch, Route 3, Box 440, Pell City, AL 35125.
Worth Stephenson, Route 1, Box 385A, Wendell, NC 27591.
H. L. Thompson, 317 11th Place NW, Arab, AL 35016.
Hubert A. Thompson, P.O. Box 247, Arab, AL 35016.
Morris L. Williams, Route 2, Box 225, Rogersville, AL 35652.
Frank Wood, 1713 Longmeadow Drive, Montgomery, AL 36106.
Raymond Wyatt, Box 12, Coats, NC 27521.

Licentiates:

Kenneth M. Bowles, P.O. Box 626, Troy, NC 27371.
Paul Garland, Route 1, Lawrenceburg, TN
Glenn Hollingsworth, Route 1, Box 216A, Whigham, GA 31797.

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Joe C. Helms, Peachland, N.C. 28133, (704) 272-8308
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Rom Kerley, 903 Alma Dr., Kannapolis, N.C. 28081, (704) 938-4375
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Guy Parks, Rt. 2, Albemarle, N.C. 28001, (704) 982-9371
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Charles L. Smith, 1504 Lancaster Ave., Monroe, N.C. 28110, (704) 289-1697
Roy Speir, 1506 Huntingdon Rd., Kannapolis, NC. 28081, (704) 938-3424
F.W. Stack, 707 Sutherland Ave., Monroe, N.C. 28110, (704) 283-8480
Paul Stroupe, 304 S. Central Ave., Locust, N.C. 28098, (704) 888-5109
Richard Styers, Box 503 Kings Mountain, N.C. 28086, (704) 739-3544
Rommie Williams, Rt. 3, Marshville, N.C. 28103, (704) 624-5987

Licentiates:

F.C. Willard, 2437 Marble St., Winston-Salem, N.C. 27107

CHURCH CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

- BETHEL: Mason H. Anderson, P.O. Box 345, Shallotte, NC 28495.
CORINTH: Becky Styers, Box 503, Kings Mountain, NC 28086.
CROOKED CREEK: W.T. Broadway, 309 Rocky River Road, Indian Trail, NC 28079.
HERRIN'S GROVE: Tommy Joe Allman, 5100 Highway 73 East, Concord, NC 28025.
HIGH HILL: Dennis Pressley, 1117 Tom Boyd Road, Monroe, NC 28110.
HIGH POINT: Raymond Hicks, 2608 Briarcreek Road, High Point, NC 27260.
JERUSALEM: Kermit Thomas, 2561 Eaton Road, Charlotte, NC 28205.
LAWYER'S SPRING: W.O. Stewart, Route 4, Box 147, Marshville, NC 28103.
LIBERTY HILL: Reece Eury, Route 2, Box 90, Oakboro, NC 28129.
MEADOW CREEK: Marshall Gaskey, 174 Arlington Avenue SE, Concord, NC 28205.
MILLS CHAPEL: Wayne Efird, Route 1, Box 394, Rockwell, NC 28138.
MOUNTAIN CREEK: Tim F. Huneycutt, Route 3, Box 219, New London, NC 28127.
NEW HOPE: Eugenia Campbell, Route 4, Hopkins, SC 29061.
OAK GROVE: Gertrude Griggs, Route 1, Chesterfield, SC 29707.
PARK VIEW: William J. Sparks, 3540 Beroth Circle, Pfafftown, NC 27040.
PLEASANT GROVE: Clayton Griffin, Route 2, Marshville, NC 28103.
PLEASANT HILL: Allen Copple, Route 4, Asheboro, NC 27203.
UNION: Dennis Little, Route 1, Box 120A, Belmont, NC 28012.
UNION GROVE: Kenneth Austin, 3930 Old Camden Road, Monroe, NC 28110.
WATSON: T. L. Simpson, 12937 Rocky River Church Road, Charlotte, NC 28215.

IN MEMORIAM

Our joys have been mixed with sorrow. We mourn the passing of the following loved ones since our last associational meeting.

BETHEL:	Sister Hattie Benton Sister Maude Halks Sister Vickie Nelson Sister Eunice Holmes Sister Pearl Anderson
CORINTH:	Brother Marvin H. Styers
CROOKED CREEK:	Sister Louretta Love
HIGH HILL:	Sister Pearl Mills Price
HIGH POINT:	Sister Ocie Mitchell Sister Ollie Southern Sister Annie Murphy Sister W. L. Brooks Brother Clay Hayworth Deacon T.E. Ragan
LAWYER'S SPRING:	Brother Jamie Williams
LIBERTY HILL:	Sister Annie Lee Smith Brother Felton Smith
MEADOW CREEK:	Brother Conrad Barbee
MILLS CHAPEL:	Brother John McClendon Deacon Jay Hurley
PARK VIEW:	Sister Bertie Willard
PLEASANT GROVE:	Sister Emma Williams Sister Radah Mullis Brother Bundy Williams
PLEASANT HILL:	Brother Willie Trodgon
UNION:	Brother Jack Morgan Sister Mattie Johnson Deacon Brady Polk
UNION GROVE:	Brother Sam Taylor Sister Pearl T. Edwards Sister Ella Deese Baucom Brother Ramson Honeycutt

CHURCHES MEETING TIMES

- BETHEL: 1st Sunday morning, Elder Mintz; 2nd Sunday morning, Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Benton; 4th Sunday morning, Elder Newell Helms.
- CORINTH: 1st Sunday morning, Elder Styers; 3rd Sunday afternoon, Elder Newell Helms.
- CROOKED CREEK: 2nd Sunday night, Elder Worth Stephenson; 4th Sunday morning, Saturday night before, Pastor.
- HERRIN'S GROVE: 4th Sunday afternoon and Saturday night before, Pastor.
- HIGH HILL: 1st Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Austin.
- HIGH POINT: 2nd Sunday morning, 4th Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.
- JERUSALEM: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday afternoon before, Pastor.
- LAWYER'S SPRING: 1st Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Parks.
- LIBERTY HILL: 1st Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 2nd Sunday morning, Elder Austin.
- MEADOW CREEK: 1st Sunday morning and Saturday afternoon before, 2nd Sunday morning, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Newell Helms; 4th Sunday morning, Elder Stroupe.
- MILLS CHAPEL: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, 4th Sunday morning, Pastor.
- MOUNTAIN CREEK: 3rd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 4th Sunday morning Elder Parks.
- NEW HOPE: 2nd Sunday morning, Elder Stack; 4th Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.
- OAK GROVE: Not currently meeting.
- PARK VIEW: 1st Sunday morning, 3rd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.
- PLEASANT GROVE: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 3rd Sunday morning, Elder Kerley.
- PLEASANT HILL: 1st Sunday morning, 3rd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.
- UNION: 1st Sunday morning and Saturday night before, 3rd Sunday morning, Pastor.
- UNION GROVE: 2nd Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor; 4th Sunday morning, Elder Stack.
- WATSON: 4th Sunday morning and Saturday night before, Pastor.

LOCATION OF CHURCHES

- BETHEL: 13 miles south of Shallotte, N.C., 2 miles off Highway 17 at Hickman's Crossroads.
- CORINTH: South Sims Street, Kings Mountain, N.C. 3 Blocks off Highway 74.
- CROOKED CREEK: Just off Highway 218, 4 miles east of Highway 601, approximately 10 miles north of Monroe, N.C.
- HERRIN'S GROVE: 4 miles southeast of Mt. Pleasant, N.C., 2 miles south of Highway 73 on road 1233.
- HIGH HILL: Just off Highway 601 north in the suburbs of Monroe, N.C., 1 mile north of Highway 74.
- HIGH POINT: 209 Rock Springs Road, 1 block off 1500 of North Main Street, High Point, N.C.
- JERUSALEM: 12 miles north of Wadesboro, N.C., east of Highway 218, in the Olive Branch community.
- LAWYER'S SPRING: Just south of Highway 74 at the underpass in Peachland, N.C.
- LIBERTY HILL: 10 miles west of Albemarle, N.C. on Highway 27 near Red Cross.
- MEADOW CREEK: On Meadow Creek Road, between Highway 27 west and 200 north near Locust, N.C.
- MILL'S CHAPEL: On China Grove Road, just off Lane Street, between I-85 and Highway 601-29 in Kannapolis, N.C.
- MOUNTAIN CREEK: 6 miles northwest of Albemarle, N.C. in the Palestine community.
- NEW HOPE: 9 miles east of Columbia, S.C., just off Highway 262 on Leesburg Road.
- OAK GROVE: 9 miles south of Wadesboro, N.C. just off Highway 742.
- PARK VIEW: Just off Sprague Street (Highway 150) near Highway 311 in Winston-Salem, N.C.
- PLEASANT GROVE: 3½ miles north of Marshville, N.C. approximately 1 mile west of Highway 205 on Lawyers Road.
- PLEASANT HILL: Approximately 4 miles northwest of Seagrove, N.C., south of Asheboro, N.C.
- UNION: McAdenville, N.C., Springwood section, 1 block off Mt. Holly-McAdenville Road, ½ mile north of I-85.
- UNION GROVE: On Highway 200 north, approximately 3 miles from Highway 74 north of Monroe, N.C..
- WATSON: Approximately 10 miles east-northeast of Monroe on road 1627 (New Salem Road) approximately 6 miles east of Highway 200 north.

RULES GOVERNING THE ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. We understand that at whatever church this association is being held, it is under the authority of the hostess church, as any other regular or monthly conference meeting, in which the church invites the ministers and messengers of the sister churches to seats, and take part with them.

2. The officers of that church shall be the officers of the association, provided the pastor is a member of the association, and if not, the church shall elect any member of the association to preside as moderator. The church may request the help of any member of another sister church to assist in the business transactions of the associations.

3. This association shall have no authority to pass upon any question of a disciplinary nature except it has been passed upon by the local churches composing this association; then the work of the churches shall be recognized by the association.

4. Any member who endeavors to bring in or inject a disciplinary question that involves fellowship, before it has been passed upon by the local churches, shall be considered out of order by the church with which the association is being held, and by the messengers present from the sister churches.

5. The association shall be conducted for the purpose of associating together in song, prayer, and preaching service. The finance committee shall disburse the funds on hand, as the association shall so direct. The body may receive corresponding messengers and visitors from sister associations, and may appoint messengers and visitors to keep up a correspondence with sister associations. No other business shall be transacted by the association, except that which is necessary to set forth the status of each church composing this association in the form of a minute.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one living and true God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe in the man Jesus being the first of all God's creation and the pattern of all God's perfection in nature, grace and glory, and in relative union with the Divine Word, and thus united with the whole Trinity.

Article 3. We believe that the scripture of the King James Version of the Old and New Testaments contain the only written, revealed word of God and the perfect rule of faith and practice for God's Church in her militant state while here on earth.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of election; that God chose His Church in Christ Jesus before the world began.

Article 5. We believe in all mankind's apostacy by transgression in Adam, the federal head.

Article 6. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 7. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from his fallen state by his own free will and ability.

Article 8. We believe that sinners are justified freely by grace and before God by faith in Christ and His righteousness only.

Article 9. We believe that God's elect or Church shall be called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit in due time.

Article 10. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never really fall away.

Article 11. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ's appointment, and that believers alone are the subject of baptism and the only proper communicants of the Supper; that the mode of baptism is immersion, and that neither of the ordinances is to be altered or changed by the inventions or opinions of men. We believe in feet washing as taught by our Savior in St. John 13:4-17.

Article 12. We believe that no man, as a minister, has any right to the administration of any of the ordinances of the gospel except such as are sound in the faith of the gospel, regularly baptized, called of God and have come under the imposition of hands by a regular presbytery.

Article 13. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the just and the unjust, and a general judgment.

Article 14. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communion Sundays	Rec'd. by baptism	Rec'd. by relation	Rec'd. by letter	Restored	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total membership	Contributions
Mountain Creek	Elder Joe C. Helms	3rd July	3		2					80	\$ 352.
Lawyer's Spring	Elder Joe C. Helms	1st Aug.			2			1	1	64	200.
Crooked Creek	Elder Larry B. Austin	4th July							1	43	125.
High Point	Elder Roy Speir	4th May	2						6	119	250.
Meadow Creek	Elder Charles Smith	1st June						1	1	60	220.
Watson	Elder Joseph N. Baucom	4th May	1							39	100.
Pleasant Hill	Elder Roy Speir	3rd June							1	34	150.
High Hill	Elder Newell Helms	1st Sept	3				1	1	1	84	200.
Park View	Elder E. W. Hooven	3rd May	3						1	65	250.
Liberty Hill	Elder Rom Kerley	1st July						1	2	95	293.
Pleasant Grove	Elder Joe C. Helms	2nd July					1		3	50	150.
Union Grove	Elder Newell Helms	2nd Aug.						1	4	191	350.
Bethel	Elder James McLamb	4th June	1			3			5	86	175.
Corinth	No pastor	3rd May	2						1	14	75.
Herrin's Grove	Elder Rom Kerley	4th June					3			23	103.
Jerusalem	Elder A. E. Broadway	2nd Aug.								19	75.
Mills Chapel	Elder Rom Kerley	2nd June							2	59	240.
New Hope	Elder Joe C. Helms	4th Aug.								16	50.
Oak Grove	Elder F. W. Stack	NOT CURRENTLY MEETING								3	
Union	Elder E. H. Simpson	1st May						1	3	30	
TOTALS			15		4	3	5	7	32	1174	\$ 3358.

